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FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (94-558)

SUBJECT: CRIMDEL - CRS"End This Confusion"

The editor of the "Herald Express" today demands that the law governing wiretapping must be amended... "to protect the rights of law-abiding citizens; and amended in such clear language that the shield of 'civil rights' cannot be employed by hoodlums, murderers, kidnapers."

He points out that evidence obtained by wiretapping cannot be used in federal cases, and other courts, state and federal, have held that this prohibition extends to states in which the laws permit the use of wiretapping for gathering evidence in criminal cases.

"Without legal wiretapping, law enforcement agencies would be powerless to deal with many kinds of criminal activities, and the imposition of the federal stricture upon the states would, in the opinion of police and prosecutors, result in a 'gigantic legal jailbreak.'"

The decision of a U.S. Appeals Court that federal courts should not interfere with state prosecutions in which state-approved wiretap information is used as evidence, is acclaimed by the "Herald Express" editor because it "returned the element of common sense to the law." However, he does not feel that this ruling is enough. He thinks the Federal Communications Act, Section 605, needs to be spelled out "so that even judges and justices can understand it."

"It was never meant to protect the criminal, but has been so construed in hair-splitting decisions."

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KENNY DUNCAN's
Swing Parties

KENNY DUNCAN has such uncanny ability with guns that for several years he has performed the trick shooting for actor GENE AUTRY. Such ability naturally begets a reputation and even the police, experts that they may be, hesitate to challenge this man.

Source

Consequently, as a notorious host of "real swinging" parties - sex orgies involving the free exchange of partners - KENNY DUNCAN has at least so far been immune to interference by Hollywood vice officers. According to LA 4062-C who has been DUNCAN's guest on more than one occasion, the parties in DUNCAN's apartment have never been interrupted by the law.

This conversation between the CI and SAs followed the arrest of BILL TALMAN, the District Attorney in the PERRY MASON television series who the informant has known for years. He said TALMAN was recently bemoaning the adverse publicity he had received from his involvement in a swing party with SUSAN SNOW, one of the best known nude models in pornographic circles, and her husband.

Informant said he has many times attended swing parties with TALMAN and a motion picture actor, DANE CLARK, usually at KENNY DUNCAN's place. Another couple often at these parties was actor WAYNE MORRIS, now deceased, and his wife, as was PAT BUTTRAM, the comic relief actor in GENE AUTRY's shows.

According to Source, swing parties often go on through the night and morning, and getting a second invitation depends on a guest's "sportsmanship" which is said to be judged by DUNCAN who keeps a sort of scoreboard. One couple, named as BILL GRAHAM, a Hollywood career man, and his wife SHIRLEY, became involved in swing parties on the advice of their psychiatrist who allegedly told them that marital difficulties they were suffering could be alleviated in this way. Informant said they're still married, so apparently the treatment was effective.

So goes Hollywood where a contract was recently executed between JACK DOUGLAS of Jackit Productions, which

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FREDDY OTASH

produces a television series "Sweet Success," and Private Investigator ~~FRED OTASH~~, recently convicted of fixing horse races. The contract, according to LA 42222-C, calls for one or two shows tentatively entitled "Otash of Hollywood." Source

Maybe, but not probably, one of the episodes will portray OTASH in conversation with some of his numerous call girl friends such as ~~SUSAN MELBOURNE~~, Olympia 7-2659. She could be shown chatting about her date with the popular actor, ~~PHIL SILVERS~~, at the Sands Hotel in Las Vegas last January and how SILVERS was so happy with her that he has continued the relationship in Los Angeles.

If that isn't good enough, FREDDY has a million or so other stories to choose from.